

## CLAIMS

1. In a telecommunication network, a method for user  
5 initiated feature transfer, the method comprising the  
steps of:  
    providing a first call agent including a first  
user;  
    providing a second call agent including a second  
10 user;  
    receiving by a network a request from a first user  
for a new feature to be transferred from the first user  
to a second user;  
    activating by the network the new feature for the  
15 second user through the second call agent; and  
    accepting by the second user through the second  
call agent the new feature.
2. In a telecommunication network, a method for user  
20 initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim 1,  
wherein there is further included the step of  
establishing a call between the first and second users  
with the new feature.
- 25 3. In a telecommunication network, a method for user  
initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim 1,  
wherein there is further included the step of  
generating by the second call agent a billing report.
- 30 4. In a telecommunication network, a method for user  
initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim 3,  
wherein there is further included the step of  
transmitting the billing report by the second call  
agent to the network.

5. In a telecommunication network, a method for user initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim 3, wherein there is further included the step of transmitting the billing report by the network to the  
5 first call agent.

6. In a telecommunication network, a method for user initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim 1, wherein the step of receiving by a network a request  
10 for a new feature includes the step of receiving by the network a request for transferring a user profile from the first user to the second user.

7. In a telecommunication network, a method for user initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim 1, wherein there is further included the step of requesting by the first user the new feature for the  
15 second user for a predetermined period of time.

8. In a telecommunication network, a method for user initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim 1, wherein there is further included the step of requesting by the first user the new feature for the  
20 second user for a particular communications session or  
25 call.

9. In a telecommunication network, a method for user initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim 1, wherein there is further included the step of  
30 replicating a plurality of features of the first user for use by the second user.

10. In a telecommunication network, a method for network initiated feature transfer, the method comprising the steps of:

- 5 providing a first call agent including a first user;
- providing a second call agent including a second user;
- marking a third call agent for call intercept;
- 10 redirecting by the third call agent a call attempt from the first user to the second user; and
- activating by the telecommunication network a call intercept for the second call agent.

11. In a telecommunication network, a method for  
15 network initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim 10, wherein there is further included the step of rerouting by the second call agent the call attempt to an authorized agency.

20 12. In a telecommunication network, a method for network initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim 10, wherein there is further included the step of placing a call by the first call agent for the first user.

25 13. In a telecommunication network, a method for network initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim 10, wherein there is further included the step of transmitting a redirect message by the third call agent  
30 to the telecommunication network.

14. In a telecommunication network, a method for network initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim 10, wherein there is further included the step of  
35 establishing a call between the first call agent and the second call agent.

15. In a telecommunication network, a method for  
network initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim  
14, wherein there is further included the step of  
5 terminating the call by transmitting a message from the  
second call agent to the first call agent.

16. In a telecommunication network, a method for  
network initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim  
10 15, wherein there is further included the step of  
transmitting a session termination intercept report  
from the second call agent to the telecommunication  
network.

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17. In a telecommunication network, a method for network initiated feature transfer, the method comprising the steps of:

- 5 providing a first call agent including a first user;
- providing a second call agent including a second user;
- transmitting a user profile from the telecommunication network to the first call agent for
- 10 directing the first user to a third call agent;
- applying by the third call agent the user profile to the second user; and
- activating by the third call agent a call feature for the second user.

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18. In a telecommunication network, a method for network initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim 17, wherein there is further included the step of using by the second user the activated call feature.

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19. In a telecommunication network, a method for network initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim 18, wherein there is further included the step of transmitting by the telecommunication network a billing

25 report to the first call agent for the second user's use of the activated call feature.

20. In a telecommunication network, a method for network initiated feature transfer as claimed in claim

30 17, wherein the step of activating includes the step of activating the call feature for a predetermined period of time.